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1. In late May 1951 a large number of Chinese Communist Army trucks arrived in Tientsin from nearby areas where they were stationed, picked up Chinese Communist Army summer uniforms from supply warehouses and left Tientsin. Most of these trucks went toward T'angku (117-40, 39-01). A few went south along the Tientsin-Paoing (116-22, 38-59) highway.

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2. In early June headquarters of the Chinese Communist 20 Army Group was at Chunliangch'eng (117-28, 39-04), near Tientsin, with 60,000 troops, all poorly equipped and with a small amount of American weapons. One of its three armies was in the outskirts of Tientsin, another in the Tuli (116-53, 39-02) -Chinghai (116-55, 38-56) -Ts'anhsien (116-52, 38-19) area along the railroad, and another in the Chunliangch'eng-T'angku area.

25X1 1. Comment. According to information available to this office, the 20 Army Group comprises the 66-70 Armies; as of 6 June the 66 Army was believed to be in North China; the 67 Army was in Manchuria; the 68 Army was possibly in Chahar; the 69 Army was in the Paoing area, Hopeh; the 70 Army was in Ch'engte, Jehol. Headquarters of the 20 Army Group was reported to be in Tientsin.

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